



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): AOKI et al.

Application No.: 10/084,657

Filed: February 28, 2002

Group Art Unit: 3753

Title: FUEL TANK WELDING JOINT AND  
MANUFACTURING METHOD  
THEREOF

Examiner: MICHALSKY, Gerald A

Attorney Docket No.: 26DT-005

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Arlington VA 22202

Sir:

In response to a Restriction requirement mailed on July 17, 2003 in connection with the above application, Applicant hereby elects Invention I (claims 1 – 5, drawn to a conduit joint) without traverse.

Examination of the present application in view of the above election is respectfully requested.

Please charge any necessary fees to Deposit Account 50-1147.

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Respectfully submitted,

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